An Oriental Journey

BEING THE PLAIN NARRATIVE OF SIMPLE THINGS BY A PROSAIC MAN.

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uncontrollable desire to work off the burden of their thoughts and observaso, however, they will not encounte much history or many statistics. Occasionally a traveler may get a point of view not set down in the books. And as to those things usually written about, I will undertake to choose only what made the greatest impression, confining my account mainly to the Orientalism found in countries now

Early in January we left New York in a blinding rainstorm, much to cur disappointment, as we were very anxlous to see the city and harbor from the decks of a disappearing steamer. Our main objective point being Cairo this trip was timed to arrive there lefore the close of the winter season. which, for purposes of ascending the Nile, lasts from about the first of November to the first of March. Our boat soon got into the guif stream, and the weather was fine; for one or two days uncomfortably warm with ordinary winter clothing. To some of us this was the first trans-Atlantic trip, and I ceased not to wonder at the presentday comforts of oceanic travel. Could Christopher Columbus have been placed blindfolded in the midst thereof, when he opened his eyes to the magnificence, speed and size of this floating palace, I think it would have been to him the transcendent marvei perfection, each in its own way, than they can do him no good.

the Azores islands, off the coast of tain it. They are mostly escaped or rising and kneeling had been described by which country they are owned. lains who would willingly stab you in They consist of nine islands, containing 900 square miles, with 260,000 popu- woman who, in discussing murderous with the Rocky mountain "bronce," lation. The climate is mild and tropical, and European plants grow in such profusion that the only problem is to restrain them from becoming too booked for Alexandria, before leaving the lating said she would and we wondered greatly at any thoughts of alarm. (Allow me to dispersion of the trials of a Nile trip, and rank and luxuriant. The portions vis- New York, so that we could stay in ible from the sea are very attractive. Naples only over night. This gave but Long lines of cliffs are broken at in- a few brief hours for a drive around Even before leaving home we had read tervals with sloping lands leading the outside of things, and of course, no in ponderous books the serious, but from the water's edge to the tops of high hills in the distance. These are closely cultivated, and the different the attractiveness of Vesuvius, Pompeil, personal possessions are separated by grean hedges, the plots being very irregular in shape. The ground, levelled of the Nile. Our boat sailed through and terraced, was beginning to show the straits of Messina, passing Stromthe green of the crops and shrubs, as boli and the Sicilian mountains in the as the blossoms of orange trees. The houses are quaint, mostly painted white, with green window blinds. At a distance there was an appearance of neatness that forcibly reminded me of Spotless Town." Ponta Delgada, on the island of San Miguel, is the prin-cipal city, is modernized, and possesses many periodicals much devoted to polities, of which they have as much to the square inch as in our own beautiful city. The Portugese are said to be rabid politicians, who await with impatience the arrival of the mail mais from the narent country

Gibraltar.

the tiny harbor of Gibzraltar in Catalan bay. By the way, it must seem in America the large, safe harbors that abound on our coasts, as they have few that can be favorably compared. By means of a tender we land at this, the most important, and the strongest fortress in the world. Along the shore at the base of the mountain lies the city. Here we get the first glimpse of that mixture of eastern and western civil ization, of which we shall see a good deal before the trip is ended. The English occupy the extreme end of the peninsula, then comes a small strip of unoccupied land called the "neutral zone," and then the old Spanish town. These reveal a sharp contrast even be tween European methods. The English town is well kept, smart in its appearance, with modern buildings and ways The Spanish town is composed of small streets, of low ramshackle houses, dirty and bad smelling, to which the population contributes its full quota of odors. There is somewhere in Spanish official publications the statement that Gibraltar is "temporarily occupied" by the British. This little friendly visit has lasted now about 150 years, and there appears to be no rival in sight to knock this Gibraltar chip off the Englishman's shoulders. It is a fortress town, maintained by the soldiers, their purveyors and the tourists. The curious shops, the narrow streets, the variety of strange costumes and wearers, the omnipresence of the red-coated Tommy Atkins, and just over the line the ing about all the export trade, passes Spaniard swelled out in blue and green through Alexandria. Here, also, are regalia-all presented a very lively pic- the chief offices of the customs. The ture. Over all frown the big gurs and market at Cairo deals only with the concealed fortifications, probably some produce from the Sudan, such as india time to engage in one of the greatest rubber, skins, senna leaves, ostrich naval battles of history for the control of this gateway of the important ple crops of cotton, cotton seed, sugar, Egyptian monuments. The same meth-Mediterranean. We went through onions, lentils and similar products, are some of the underground passages, ex- dealt in almost entirely at Alexandria. cavated 125 years ago, in which are planted some old guns, mostly used for firing salutes. Visitors, even in this comparatively innocuous section, are brings us to Cairo, as the distance is ical appliances and engines needed in checked off and carefully accounted only a little over 100 miles. We have lieu of such labor. When building a for. The accompanying sentry herds now traveled through the famous Delta temple or pyramid in ancient times, as the people like sheep. One can scarce- of the Nile, embracing within and ad- each layer of stone was completed ly loiter and certainly will not be left jacent thereto about 1,000,000 acres of sand was piled around to its level, behind. From the open holes in the land. It opens out from Cairo north- sloping from there to the ground. The lower face of this big. sheer rock, we were able to look out and down upon vided into two parts, one emptying up this inclined plane, and so on, unthe town and ships, which in the indo-

CURING COLDS WITHOUT QUININE

A REMEDY THAT IS RAPIDLY BE-COMING POPULAR-LEAVES NO BAD AFTER EFFECTS.

For some unknown reason when most people get a Cold they rush for Quinine little knowing or thinking of the bad results that are sure to follow its use. Did to keep busy in planting, irrigating and times a mummy, at that. The rulers work properly. Hence Sour Stomach you ever take Quinine? Then you know some of its effects, dull pains in the head, floating specks before the eyes, rumbling in the ears, and finally deafness.

A prominent medical journal in a recent

issue warns people against the use of Quirine and states positively that people have the wrong idea when they think it will break up a Cold. Quinine in small doses is a good tonic and in large doses

It is almost axiomatic that travelers, lent, tropical air took on a peaceful even in raising water from the Nile upon returning home, experience an aspect greatly at variance from the for irrigation. purpose of their creation. Everywhere there were plenty of idle men, and for tions upon their esteemed fellow citi- the first time in my life I looked upon The Herald having kindly of- a population of which no one was in a fered to facilitate the operation of this burry. The rock of Gibraltar is majesnatural law in my case, I hope its tic in itself, but it loses nothing in its readers will receive some compensation while accompanying me over the sonse the fact that deep in the inner- ond day after our arrival, we had but route our party traversed. In Joing most recesses of its upper half are the most potential weapons of destruction the hand of mar can devise. To relieve the anxiety of numerous inquirers, I will state that the name "Pru-

Everyone on the steamboat, I pre-

ame, had been looking forward to the

voyage through the Mediterranean, having heard much about its blue waers, clear skies and balmy air. Alas, the disappointment to human hopes! ostentatious, protection No part of the trip was more disagreeable, nowhere more tempestuous waters, blacker clouds or colder winds. gers one day out from Naples, and the his extensive palaces, but now the picturesque, repellent citizen who From the Mena House we proceeded The Azores.

Sits on his carriage box and brutally on our way, mounted upon the promenade deck of the sigle-humped camel.

Hanging on to a camel while he is Africa, and 700 miles from Portugal, discharged convicts, and look like vil- to us as being fully as hazardous as the attractiveness of Vesuvius, Pompeil, Sorrento and Capri, and embark on the final stage of the journey to the land distance. Neither Scylla nor Charybdis seemed to have any terrors for our pilot, and we drew near Alexandria on the evening of the fourth day.

Alexandria. First, we perceive in the dim horizon,

white lighthouse; then two solitary

factory chimneys appear; then others spring up as if by magic, then all at once this great ancient city brought up to date, comes into view. The viceregal palaces are in the foreground, close to We pass around a point, and enter the sea canal, when we are at last face to face with the domes and On the eighth day out we arrived at minarets of an Oriental city. When the boat has been made fast, hordes of colored men in fez and turban, swarm on strange to observant Europeans to find board to carry the baggage from the eighty-six feet longer than the largest and jabbering in their unknown tongue, they add much to the natural have been removed from the summit, 300 A. D., to commemorate the capture

of Alexandria by Emperor Diocletian. large columns were brought here Caesarium. One was removed to Lon-len, its counterpart to New York, here it is known as Cleopatra's Nee-We drove over the city, getting a birdseye view of its fine streets and usiness blocks, its palaces, public squares and statuary. We entered a temple and ancient tomb from the Egyptian period, but these things pale into insignificance before the treasures subsequently revealed. Nearly 90 per cent of the foreign commerce, comprisproduce from the Sudan, such as india feathers and ivory; but the great sta-

A four hours' ride on a good train

near Alexandria, the other sixty miles til the apex was reached. Afterwards This latter branch runs through the sand was removed. the fertile Fayoum region, which, however, we did not have an opportunity to visit. The country is very flat, resenting no scenic features, no more han do our own boundless prairies. But it is diversified by big canals for rrigation and in general aspects is said bridge previously mentioned. through Holland. The fields were green, company, lost no time in pointing out

The Pyramids.

At Cairo our passage had been engaged on the Victoria, a boat of the Hamburg & Anglo-American company, for a three weeks' trip up the Nile. Since it was to sail the secone day for Cairo at this time, and wisely chose to spend it in visiting the renowned site of the Pyramids, at Gizeh. Taking carriages and street cars to the hotel resort, Mena House dential" does not appear on the face bridge, through which at certain hours of the day all kinds of river craft are permitted to pass. Here, for the first time, we obtained ocular evidence of another case of "temporary occupancy" by the British nation. At each end of the bridge are two mammoth lions, ccuchant; seeing which, we realized we were under the sure, but unpower. We had an idea that Egypt is under the suzerainty of the Ottoman empire: we knew that there is a Mo-Seasickness came to half the passen- hammedan khedive, and we had seen captain's dinner was not a joyful oc-easion. But as we sailed into the bay, his "suggestions" and "advice" into the sun shone brightly and the exqui- the ears of this ruler, they are unisite scene before us charmed our formly found good and straightway senses. Yet I have but one distinct impression of Naples, and that is not of sorry to learn recently that this ac-Vesuvius, whose smoke could be dimly complished British minister has been seen in the distance; nor yet of its his-forced to resign on account of ill toric streets and environs; but the rec- health. His work in the last quarter ollection of the Neapolitan hack driver of a century has been so admirable. will be mine forever. I am assured so tactful, but withal so forecful, that that, of all the artistic possessions of he has received enconiums that selthat part of Italy, nothing comes nearer dom come to a man until he is so dead

> the necessary preparations therefor, was noticed throughout our of the Cheops pyramid. No one in the party wanted to climb it. The only compensation for doing so would be the chance to narrate the fact. It requires about three natives to pull and push you up, since the steps are so high that, unassisted, it would require lambering on hands and knees whole distance. The task is not peril-ous, only irksome. Not wishing to be mauled and pulled out of shape, nor to be annoyed by the demand for bakhshish at every step, I declined with

My first impression of the Pyramids was one of disappointment. They are so perfectly proportioned, with their sides sloping away from you, their magnitude is not so obvious as to inspire great awe. It is only when undertakes to walk around the larges that the true significance of the oftquoted distances begins to fasten on the understanding. Cheops is about 746 feet square, or each of its sides is Blocking up the passage ways blocks of Salt Lake City. It was originally 480 feet high, but some stones curist travel. There is not much to nine large and 100 small ones stretch- ing their burdens of sugar cane or hay; o their historical associations. We rear these houses for the dead kings ceaseless chatter of barefooted, halfrisited Pompey's Pillar, erected about is beyond any approximate calculation. clad Arabs; under us the donkeys eas-The famous Sphynx is a little the ily ambled along; and we, ourselves, forse for wear, to which nature and with senses somnolent in the June-like

as to the true age of this lion with the days, and to linger as long as life human face. Professor Petrie puts it should endure. The "donkey boys," let at about 3,000 B. C. It is 120 feet long and about sixty feet high. It stands at the entrance to one of the most beautiful temples in all Egypt, built by King Kaphra 3,700 B. C. This temby King Kaphra 3,700 B. C. This temple cannot boast of its massive size, but in perfection of material and workmanship it easily excels. Made of the fine red granite from the Assouan hills, each integral piece, such They believe it their duty to whip the souan hills, each integral piece, such They believe it their duty to whip the as pillars, caps or sides, is a monolith donkeys, to guide them and to assist polished as smooth as glass.

Such perversion is not necessary to enhance the marvelousness of the od of construction could be employed now if we had the same factor of despised and illimitable slave labor; or if engineers of the present had any rational call to construct the mechanward like a fan, the river having di- stone for the next layer was dragged,

Up the Nile.

Ten o'clock the next morning found us with our baggage stowed away comfortably in our cabins on the boat, which headed up the Nile from the resemble the outlook when riding guide, or dragoman, provided by the where the last crop had not been gath- the exact historic spot where Pharaoh's

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The ticket for the trip is supposed to ing image of Ptah upon the earth. As the national divinities whose influence walls of these tombs, which are very include all expenses and accommodathe representative of the god Osiris, he knew no local bounds. The mythology, spacious, were covered with hierogly tions, but it has long been customary to was consulted as an oracle. He must the religion, the deity system, the phics and pictures telling the customs reward the boys with bakhshish. There be black, with a crescent on his fore- names themselves, all form a very long festivals, achievements, in short the life were more donkeys and more boys than head, a scarab under his tongue, and and intricate chapter of Egyptian his- history of the occupant and his family they add much to the natural confusion. Our party, not wishing to as well as from the corners and the beasts were saddled, and the turemain in Alexandria all night, make around the foundations. As I under- mult quelled, the procession started. Once enthroned, he exercised his func- that the gods most in evidence on this having been entirely erased by the hand remain in Alexandria all light, make frantic efforts to reach the station in time for the 6 o'clock Cairo train. But the delays at the custom house, and the long drive for the drays, cause us to stand in impotent despair and see our train roll away while the trunks are being dumped on the platform.

The foundations. As I understand in fight, make frantic efforts to reach the station in that the gods most in evidence on this stand it, this pyramid was built with of trung the most picture. Our route lay through the most picture to stand it, this pyramid was built with smooth sides, but the edges of the successive layers have been uncovered, the long drive for the drays, cause us to stand in impotent despair and see of the station in the fifth century are being dumped on the platform.

The foundations. As I understand it is pyramid was built with our route lay through the most picture tions until death, sometimes twenty-tions until death, sometimes trip are Ammon-Ra, the sun god of time eight vears, and was then embalmed ris, the god and judge of the dead; Isis, the god and judge of the dead; Isis, the god and judge of the dead; Isis, the long trip are possible trip are all trip are Ammon-Ra, the sun god and judge of the dead; Isis, the long trip are fields, over hard, white roads, under the form and the foundations.

The foundation in the fifth entury to a suntil death, sometimes twenty-tions until death, sometimes twenty-tions until death, sometimes trap are demon-Ra, the sun god and judge of the dead; Isis, the god and judge of the dead; Isis, th are being dumped on the platform. B. C., stated it required 100,000 men canals; we passed groups of women on wide, with frequent side galieries and sometimes confused with feet took so many significations, active finally were established in a poor mid. That one immediately adjoining conditions we finally were established in a poor mid. That one immediately adjoining conditions we made way for the the cases being enormous in size and almost hopeless to keep them in their hotel for the night. The good ones were is not quite so large, and a third near edge of the road; we made way for the the cases being enormous in size and almost hopeless to keep them in their all full, this being the busy season for by is much smaller. There are about camels, with their stately tread, carry-weight. The conditions existing at the proper relation and degree of importinterest one in Alexandria, unless he ing away in the sands for sixty miles, stops long enough to investigate its and the aggregate cubic contents are chants of the chair-bearers, in their cooks and old quarters with reference so vast that the labor employed to brilliant garb; at our side arose the lapse of 3,700 years. The earlier royal architect and manager of the py-Amenhotep III. Napoleon's guns both contributed, air, dreamily realized our part in an gods. But this is not correct. There and oldest work in the history of Egypt by Caesar or Cleopatra to adorn the Caesarium. One was removed to Lon- as to the true age of this lion with the days, and to linger as long as life cality having its own. Besides, there

the rider, when crossing a ditch or We see it frequently stated that no gully. It was an effort to convince them nechanical strength now known is that I could steer the beast and was in apable of producing these works. no danger of sliding off over his tail. In about an hour we arrived at a little grove of palms, under which rest the recumbent statues of Rameses the Great. There are two of them, colossal in size, closely resembling his mummy

and otherwise identified. The largest is forty-two feet long. They both originally stood at the entrance of the great temple of the god Ptah. We are now on the site of ancient Memphis, which was eight miles in diameter. From here we can see the Step Pyramid, said to be the oldest structure in the world and built by Zesor, the second king of the third dynasty, over 4,000 years B. C Mounting our donkeys, we now go mile or two farther to the Serapeum, o the Tombs and Sarcophagi of the Sa-cred Bulls. The Bull Apis was the liv-

A NATION OF DYSPEPTICS.

We Eat Too Fast, a Stomach Special ist's Views on the Matter.

Stomach specialists claim that w ered, and brown where the farmers daughter found little Moses resting in are becoming a nation of dyspeptics, were plowing for the next one. Agri- the bullrushes. Ordinarily, there is no due to our fast way of living; we live culture seems to be one continual round of pleasure in Egypt, for they manage the "documents in the case." Some- our stomachs so they cannot do their harvesting four crops each year. I was had the habit of certifying to their own indigestion and finally Chronic Dystold that land is worth in that section authenticity with a cartouche (a royal pepsia, Ask any druggist and he will \$1,000 per acre, but could scarcely be- sign) signifying each his own identity. tell you that there are more remedie lieve it. After allowing for the four-fold productively, this sum is still out this story of Moses, and anyone was at than for any other disease. Don't fool of proportion to the price for the best liberty to doubt it. Luncheon was soon with these, but go to your druggist and agricultural land elsewhere-always ex- announced, and immediately afterward have him mix the following three simdoses is a good tonic and in large doses is used for malaria diseases.

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time they were walled up by Rameses and II. had been so well preserved that foot II. had been so well preserved that foot and hand prints were then visible after of Ptah-Hetep, a priest, and Ti. the

bull found was buried in the reign of ramids. These estimable gentlemen lived in the time of the fifth dynasty Ibrahim, our guide, announced here 4,000 B. C., and we were, therefore, inhat the ancients worshiped thirty-one specting some of the most interesting

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